IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re divisional patent application of:)	
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METHODS FOR ENHANCED VIRUS-)	
MEDIATED DNA TRANSFER USING)	
MOLECULES WITH VIRUS- AND)	
CELL-BINDING DOMAINS)	November 21, 2006

RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following. Additionally, a petition, including the fee, for a three-month request for extension of time to respond to this Office Action is enclosed. If any other fees are due with this response, please charge to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include the payment of any issue fees.

Pages 2-4 include a complete listing of the claims, including amendments to claims 3, 5, 8, 16-17.

Pages 5-11 include the Remarks section.

Page 12 is a listing of the Exhibits, citing three scientific papers, all published in peer-reviewed scientific journals.